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SUBJ: AGRICULTURE AND IRRIGATION EQUIPMENT TRADE MISSION
(DEC 5-11, 1973)

REF: PRAGUE 2812

1. EMBASSY THIS WEEK RECEIVED THROUGH POUCH A REVISED BUDGET AUTHORIZATION FOR AIE TRADE MISSION DATED DECEMBER 5, 1973, REDUCING AMOUNT GOVERNMENT FUNDS PREVIOUSLY AUTHORIZED FROM \$800 TO \$650. AS COMMERCE AWARE, THERE WERE TWO FUNDS AGAINST WHICH THE EMBASSY WAS AUTHORIZED TO CHARGE MISSION EXPENSES: A) USG (COMMERCE) FUNDS REFERRED TO ABOVE :\$800, AND B) MISSION HOSPITALITY FUND (\$1,000) ADMINISTERED BY MISSION TREASURER PHILIP MUELLER.

2. DURING CONVERSATION WITH MISSION DIRECTOR PRIOR MISSION'S DEPARTURE, EMBASSY CONTROL OFFICER CONFIRMED THAT TOTAL EXPENSES FOR MISSION WOULD BE LESS THAN \$1,800 COMBINED BUDGET CEILING, BUT MADE IT CLEAR THAT ENTIRE \$800 GOVERNMENT FUNDS WERE COMMITTED, AND ANY SAVINGS WOULD ACCRUE ONLY TO HOSPITALITY FUND. ACCORDINGLY, WE NOW HAVE INSUFFICIENT FUNDS TO PAY FINAL \$410 BILL FOR MISSION DIRECTOR'S SUITE IN ALCRON HOTEL.

3. REQUEST COMMERCE IMMEDIATELY RESTORE ORIGINAL AMOUNT AUTHORIZED FOR THIS MISSION. PERTINENT ACCOUNT NO. IS K 552 1464-02 12-03(CODE 552-134/51250).

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